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SUBJ: NOMINATION OF OLA WATTNE, OFFICE DIRECTOR, PETROLEUM DEPARTMENT, MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY

1. EMBASSY HEREWITH NOMINATES, PROVIDED FUNDS AREA VAILABLE, FOR PARTIAL IVP GRANT DURING TRANSITIONAL QUARTER, OLA WATTNE, OFFICE DIRECTOR AND CHIEF NEGOTIATOR, PETROLEUM DEPARTMENT, MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY. WATTNE WILL BE AMEMBER OF THE NORWEGIAN DELEGATION TO THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK FROM AUGUST 2 TO SEPTEMBER 17. HE WOULD LIKE TO TRAVEL FOR 2-3 WEEKS FOLLOWING THE CONCLUSION OF THE CONFERENCE. EXACT TRAVEL INFORMATION AND PROGRAM WISHES WILL BE FORWARDED TOGETHER WITH ADDITIONAL BIOGRAPHIC NFORMATION BY SEPTEL.

2. BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION IS AS FOLLOWS:
DATE OF BIRTH: C. 1940.
CITIZENSHIP: NORWEGIAN
BACKGROUND: DISTRICT COURT JUDGE.
WATTNE IS A RISING YOUNG LAWYER WITH THE PETROLEUM DEPARTMENT IN THE INDUSTRY MINISTRY. HE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR NEGOTIATING OFFSHORE CONCESSIONS WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES. HE IS EXPECTED SHORTLY TO ECOME DEPUTY DIRECTOR IN THE PETROLEUM DEPARTMENT.
ENGLISH: EXCELLENT.
JUSTIFICATION: STILL UNDER 40 WATTNE HAS ESTABLISHED HIMSELF AS A COMER IN THE OIL DEPARTMENT OF THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY. HE SHOULD RISE TO THE TOP OF NORWEGIAN BUREAUCRACY AS CHIEF NEGOTIATOR OF ALL NEW OIL CONCESSIONS HE IS A KEY POSITION TO INFLUENCE A CHOICE OF FOREIGN COMPANIES.
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